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March 16, 2010

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Re:

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – Line in East Feliciana Parish, LA, STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 22X)

Dear Section Chief:

Pursuant to the Board's abandonment class exemption procedures for lines with no local business for at least two years (49 CFR 1152.50), enclosed are an original and 11 copies of a verified Abandonment Notice of Exemption.

A check in the amount of \$3,700.00 is enclosed as the filing fee.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of this Notice of Exemption by date stamping the enclosed eleventh copy and returning it to the courier to return to me.

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Sincerely,

Robert A. Wimbish

Enclosure.

cc: David C. Reeves
David H. Coburn

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY - ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

EXEMPTION NOTICE

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") submits the following notice of exemption ("notice") pursuant to 49 CFR Part 1152, Subpart F, Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights, to abandon a 1.63-mile rail line extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33 in East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana (the "Line"). In accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR 1152.50(b) and (d), KCSR provides the following information in support of its abandonment notice of exemption:

Proposed Consummation Date: 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(2)

The abandonment will be consummated on or after May 5, 2010 (50 days after filing the notice of exemption).

Certification: 49 CFR 1152.50(b)

KCSR certifies that the Line satisfies the criteria for abandonment under the exemption in 49 CFR Part 1152, Subpart F. See Verification of Glen Ebeling, Assistant Vice President, Real Estate and Industrial Development of The Kansas City Southern Railway Company, attached hereto and made part hereof as Exhibit A.

Additional Information Required: 49 CFR 1152.22(a)(1)-(4), (7)-(8) and (e)(4)

Exact name of applicant (49 CFR 1152.22(a)(1)):

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company

Whether applicant is a common carrier by railroad (49 CFR 1152.22(a)(2)):

KCSR is a Class I common carrier by railroad subject to the Board's jurisdiction under

49 U.S.C. Subtitle IV.

Relief sought (49 CFR 1152.22(a)(3)):

KCSR is invoking the Board's class exemption procedures to abandon a 1.63-mile rail

line in East Feliciana Parish, LA, extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33. In its

advance notice to federal, state, and local "consulting agencies" and in its consolidated

Environmental and Historic Report, KCSR indicated that it might separately file a motion to

dismiss the notice, because KCSR believed the Line to be industrial or spur track over which the

Board has jurisdiction but lacks regulatory authority pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10501(b)(2) and

10906. However, KCSR has elected not to file such a motion at this time, and currently does not

intend to file such a motion.

Map (49 CFR 1152.22(a)(4)):

A detailed map showing the location of the Line is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Applicant's representative (1152.22(a)(7)):

KCSR's representative to whom correspondence regarding this abandonment should be

sent is:

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USPS ZIP codes (49 CFR 1152.22(a)(8)):

The Line lies entirely within U.S. Postal Service ZIP Code 70748.

Rural and Community Impact (49 CFR 1152.22(e)(4)):

The Line runs across a parcel immediately adjacent to an existing Colonial Pipeline

Company ("CPC") tank farm north of Baton Rouge, LA. Because the Line has been dormant for several decades, KCSR anticipates no adverse rural impact from the proposal. Neither will there be any adverse impact on the local community, because no traffic has moved over the Line in well over two years. In fact, because the proposed abandonment is prompted by CPC's desire to acquire the parcel(s) across which the Line traverses, KCSR believes that the proposed abandonment will benefit the local economy and the community at large. Because the Line has not been used for local rail shipments for well over twenty-four (24) months, there will be no effect on regional or local transportation systems and patterns and no diversion of traffic to other transportation systems or modes resulting from KCSR's action here.

It is KCSR's opinion that the property upon which the Line is located would not be suitable for other public purposes. In fact, KCSR's right-of-way is secured by an easement. KCSR has agreed, as part of a proposed transaction that will result in the sale of the underlying parcel(s) to CPC t by the landowners of the property across which KCSR's easement extends to formally extinguish KCSR's easement interest once it is clear that KCSR may do so without further Board action.

The Line does not contain federally-granted rights-of-way. As appropriate, KCSR is willing promptly to make available any information in its possession to anyone so requesting it.

Labor Protection

The interests of affected railroad employees, if any, will be protected by the conditions discussed in Oregon Short Line R. Co. – Abandonment – Goshen, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

Certifications

Attached hereto as Exhibit C are the Certificates of Service and Publication certifying

that KCSR has complied with the notice and newspaper publication requirements of 49 CFR

1152.50(d)(1) and 49 CFR 1105.12, respectively. Attached as Exhibit D is a certification of

compliance with the advance notice requirements for Environmental and Historic Reports as set

forth at 49 CFR 1105.11.

Environmental and Historic Report

In accordance with its certification of compliance with the provisions of 49 CFR 1105.11,

KCSR has prepared a consolidated Environmental and Historic Report ("E&HR") conforming to

the requirements of 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8. A copy of that E&HR was previously served

upon the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis, but is also attached hereto as Attachment 1

to Exhibit D (KCSR's Section 1105.11 certification).

Respectfully submitted,

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

EXEMPTION NOTICE

EXHIBIT A

VERIFICATION

VERIFICATION

I, Glen Ebeling, Assistant Vice President, Real Estate and Industrial Development of The

Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") hereby verify and certify that no local traffic

has moved over the subject KCSR line extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33

in East Feliciana Parish, LA (the "Line"), for at least two years. I also hereby verify and certify

that there is no overhead traffic on the Line that has been, or would need to be, rerouted as a

result of the proposed abandonment. I further verify and certify that no formal complaint filed

by a user of rail service on the Line (or filed by a state or local government entity acting on

behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line either is pending with this Board

or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of the complainant within the said two-

year period. I also certify that I am duly authorized to make this verification.

Further, I hereby verify that the information contained in the foregoing abandonment

notice of exemption is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Dated: March 15, 2010

Glen Ebeling

Assistant Vice President, Real Estate and

Industrial Development

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company

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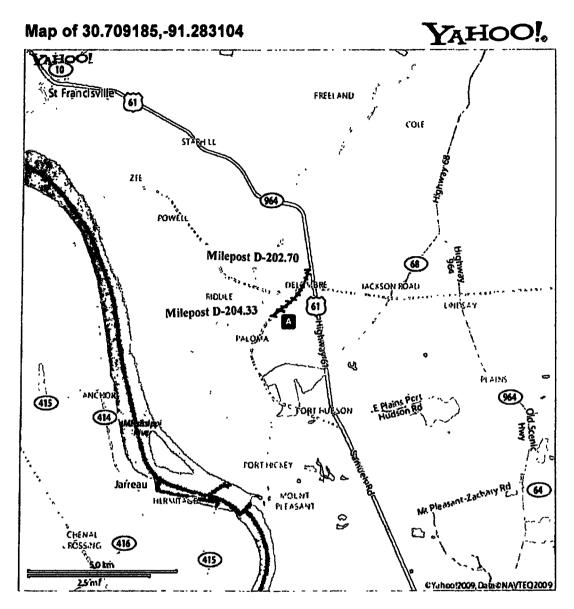
THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

EXEMPTION NOTICE

EXHIBIT B

MAP



When using any driving directions or map, it's a good idea to do a reality check and make sure the road still exists, watch out for construction, and follow all traffic safety precautions. This is only to be used as an aid in planning

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EXHIBIT C

CERTIFICATIONS OF SERVICE/PUBLICATION

Certificate of Service

49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) - Notice

I certify that written notice was given by The Kansas City Southern Railway Company of its intent to use the notice of exemption procedure to abandon approximately 1.63 miles of rail line located in East Feliciana Parish, LA. Written notice in the prescribed form was served on February 18, 2010, on the following:

Secretary Eve Kahao Gonzalez Louisiana Public Service Commission Galvez Building, 12th Floor 602 North Fifth Street Post Office Box 91154 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-9154

David Dorfman SDDC TEA Railroads for National Defense 709 Ward Dr., Bldg. 1990 Scott AFB, IL 62225

Charlie Stockman
National Park Service
Rivers & Trails Conservation Program
1201 Eye Street, NW, 9th Floor (Org. Code 2220)
Washington, D.C. 20005

Thomas L. Tidwell, Chief Forest Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Sidney R. Yates Federal Building 201 14th Street SW Washington, DC 20024

March 16, 2010

Robert A. Wimbish

Attorney for The Kansas City Southern

Railway Company

Certificate of Publication

49 CFR 1105.12 - Newspaper Notice

I certify that a "Notice of Intent to Abandon" was published in the form prescribed by the Board for a Notice of Exemption (49 CFR 1105.12). The notice was published one time on February 3, 2010, in the <u>Clinton Watchman</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in East Feliciana Parish, where the Line is located. (See Attachment 1 – proof of publication.)

March 16, 2010

Robert A. Wimbish

Attorney for The Kansas City Southern

Railway Company

ATTACHMENT 1 PROOF OF PUBLICATION

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

 State of Louisiana Parish of: East Feliciana

Before me, Notary personally came and appeared Shirley Burge who, being duly sworn.

did depose that she/he is the Customer Service Representative for:

Clinton Watchman

A newspaper of general publication published within the Parish of:

East Feliciana Parish

And that advertisement of (description): #8178

Was published in this newspaper's issue of: 2/03/10

Sworn to before me this Hay of Lehrung 2010.

KELLI M. Mcknight

Notary ID# 026291

The Watchman

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F -- Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights permitting KCSR to abandon a 1.63-mile rail line (the "Line") located in East Feliciana Parish, LA, extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204 33. The subject rail line traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Code 70748. The proceeding will be docketed as STB Docket No. subject abandonment/proceeding is necessary, hecause KCSR understands that the property in question is not a line of railroad subject to the Board's regulatory authority Accordingly, KCSR may file with its abandonment notice of exemption a motion requesting the Board to find that KCSR's proposed action does not require any advance Board approval, and, consistent with that finding, to terminate the proceed-. The proposed action entails the abandonment of, and discontinuance of rail service over, the Line. Unless the Board grants KCSR's motion to dismiss in the interim, the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. Comments , on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later 'than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision Interested persons niny obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the SEA, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, D.C. 20423, or by calling that office at (202) 245-0295. Appropriate offers of financial assistance to subsidize continued rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, pubic use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that ruses matters other than environmental issues (such as trails public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings, 395 B Street, S W.; Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicants' representative [See 49 GFR 1104.12(a)] Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABANDÓN RAIL SERVICE
STB Docker No. AB-103 (SubNo. 22X)
The Kansas City Southern
Railway Company (KCSR) gives
notice that on or about February
16, 2010, it intends to file with
the Surface Transportation Board.

The Surface Transportation Board.

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

EXEMPTION NOTICE

EXHIBIT D

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORIC REPORT REQUIREMENTS

Certificate of Compliance

49 CFR 1105.11 - Advance Distribution of Environmental and Historic Report

I certify that, on February 18, 2010, a copy of The Kansas City Southern Railway Company's consolidated Environmental and Historic Report for the proposed abandonment encompassed by STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 22X) (appended hereto as Attachment 1), accompanied by a transmittal letter conforming to the requirements of 49 CFR 1105.11, was served upon the following entities as prescribed by 49 CFR 1105.7(b) and 1105.8(c) (copies of the transmittal letters are also appended hereto as part of Attachment 1):

March 16, 2010

Robert A. Wimbish

Attorney for The Kansas City Southern

Railway Company

ATTACHMENT 1 ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORIC REPORT INCLUDING TRANSMITTAL LETTERS

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY - ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORIC REPORT

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THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION LINE IN EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA

ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORIC REPORT

Pursuant to the above-captioned proceeding, The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") intends to abandon an approximately 1.63-mile rail line extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33 located in East Feliciana Parish, LA. In accordance with the procedures set forth in 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8, KCSR is required to submit the following Environmental and Historic Report.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

(1) PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES

Describe the proposed action, including commodities transported, the planned disposition (if any) of any rail line and other structures that may be involved, and any possible changes in current operations or maintenance practices. Also describe any reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. Include a readable, detailed map and drawings clearly delineating the project.

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") seeks to abandon an approximately 1.63-mile rail line (the "Line") located in East Feliciana Parish, LA, extending from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33. A map depicting the Line is attached as Exhibit 1. Although KCSR has elected, out of an abundance of caution, to invoke the Board's abandonment notice of exemption procedures, KCSR believes that the Line is not a "line of railroad" subject to the Board's regulatory authority, and that it is instead (and at most) either an industrial, spur, or side track, or a private track, which KCSR may dispose of without the need for Board action. For this reason, KCSR may, in connection its notice of exemption, move for the Board to

dismiss KCSR's abandonment notice on the basis that the proposed action falls outside of the Board's regulatory authority.

The Line has been out of service for decades. Information available to KCSR indicates that, prior to 1968, the Line had been owned and operated by a company known as the South Shore Railway Company ("SSR"), an entity described in Interstate Commerce Commission ("ICC") proceedings as, and understood by Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Company ("L&A") (in this case, the corporate predecessor in interest to KCSR) to be, an intrastate railroad operator. In 1968, L&A acquired SSR's interests in the Line, and operated it as an industrial or spur track outside of the ICC's jurisdiction, and now beyond the scope of the Board's regulatory authority. L&A was subsequently merged into KCSR in 1992. See Kansas City Southern Railway Co. – Corporate Family Transaction Exemption – Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Co., et al., 57 FR 31210 (July 14, 1992).

L&A did not and KCSR does not own the land underlying the portion of the Line's right-of-way that lies within the boundaries of a parcel owned by a group of individual members of the Mills Family.

To the best of KCSR's knowledge, there has been no provision of common carrier service on the Line in decades (if ever). The Line has not been maintained for several decades due the absence of any traffic, and KCSR believes that much of the track and material that had been located on the Line has already been removed or has been so thoroughly covered by many years of uninterrupted settling and overgrowth that salvage of any remaining track materials may be impracticable.

After abandonment of the Line pursuant to this proceeding, KCSR anticipates executing a formal release of its rights on the portion of the Line within the boundaries of the property owned by the Mills Family. In turn, the Mills Family will convey fee title to a portion of the parcel(s) on which the Line is located to Colonial Pipeline Company ("CPC"), which holds an option to buy and intends to purchase some of the property over which the easement for the Line was originally granted. The KCSR abandonment, combined with the aforementioned CPC-Mills Family transaction, will permit the expansion of a CPC tank farm located adjacent to the Line. The only reasonable alternative to abandonment proposed here would be to allow the Line to remain in place and, by extension, to allow KCSR's easement rights to remain. Such an alternative to abandonment would frustrate CPC's desire for a warranty deed from the Mills Family representing that the Mills Family is conveying the subject parcels to CPC free and clear of any rights or encumbrances associated with railroad use. In short, the only reasonable alternative to abandonment would be continuation of the status quo, under which the Mills Family retains the land parcels subject to KCSR's long-unused rights, and subject to lingering uncertainty as to the legal status of the track in question.

(2) TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Describe the effects of the proposed action on regional or local transportation systems and patterns. Estimate the amount of traffic (passenger or freight) that will be diverted to other transportation systems or modes as a result of the proposed action.

The Line has been inactive for decades, and, for this simple reason, the proposed abandonment will have no impact on regional or local transportation systems and patterns. No passenger or freight traffic would be diverted to other systems or modes as a result of the proposed abandonment.

(3) LAND USE

(i) Based on consultation with local and/or regional planning agencies and/or a review of the official planning documents prepared by such agencies, state whether the proposed action is consistent with existing land use plans. Describe any inconsistencies.

The proposed abandonment is consistent with, and, indeed would promote, existing land use plans. In fact, KCSR's proposed abandonment of the Line was precipitated by, and is undertaken in the furtherance of, plans by CPC to acquire the land underlying the Line for purposes of local business/industrial development. A copy of this Environmental Report has been mailed to the appropriate local and state agencies for their information and further comment on this issue.

(ii) Based on consultation with the U.S. Soil Conservation Service, state the effect of the proposed action on any prime agricultural land.

KCSR believes that the proposed abandonment will not have any adverse impact on prime agricultural land. The Line passes through an area north of Baton Rouge consisting primarily of wooded and open land, although there appears to be limited residential use and an industrial site (a tank farm) located near or adjacent to the Line. Some of the adjacent land may be used for agricultural purposes, but KCSR does not anticipate that the proposed abandonment would have any adverse impact on prime agricultural lands. In connection with this issue, KCSR has contacted the United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") Natural Resources Conservation Service in, by letter dated February 18, 2010. A copy of this report was attached to that letter. See Exhibit 2.

(iii) If the action affects land or water uses within a designated coastal zone, include the coastal zone information required by Sec. 1105.9.

Based upon initial consultation with the online resources of the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources ("LADNR"), KCSR does not believe that the Line traverses a designated coastal zone, and, thus, KCSR understands that its proposed abandonment would not be subject to review in the applicable coastal zone management plan. A copy of this report has been sent to LADNR to confirm that conclusion. See Exhibit 2.

(iv) If the proposed action is an abandonment, state whether or not the right-ofway is suitable for alternative public use under 49 U.S.C. 10906 and explain why.

KCSR believes that the subject right-of-way is not suited for other public purposes. KCSR anticipates that formally relinquishing its interest on the subject land will foster local, private industrial development, which development would not occur but for the termination of KCSR's easement rights.

(4) ENERGY

(i) Describe the effect of the proposed action on transportation of energy resources.

Again, there has been no traffic on the Line in decades. Accordingly, the proposed abandonment is not expected to have any effect on the transportation of energy resources.

(ii) Describe the effect of the proposed action on recyclable commodities.

Because no shipper will lose rail service as a result of the proposed action, the abandonment should have no effect on the movement and/or recovery of recyclable commodities.

(iii) State whether the proposed action will result in an increase or decrease in overall energy efficiency and explain why.

Because the proposed abandonment involves a long-out-of-use stretch of track, the abandonment should have no effect on overall energy usage. To the extent that the land is used for the construction of new tanks by CPC to store refined petroleum products, it will enhance the capacity and flexibility of CPC's pipeline system, thereby enhancing the efficiency of CPC's distribution of these products.

- (iv) If the proposed action will cause diversions from rail to motor carriage of more than:
 - (A) 1,000 rail carloads a year; or
 - (B) An average of 50 rail carloads per mile per year for any part of the affected line, quantify the resulting net change in energy consumption

See http://dnr.louisiana.gov/SEC/EXECDIV/PUBINFO/NEWSR/2002/06crm-map.htm

and show the data and methodology used to arrive at the figure given. To minimize the production of repetitive data, the information on overall energy efficiency in Sec. 1105.7(e)(4)(iii) need not be supplied if the more detailed information in Sec. 1105.7(e)(4)(iv) is required.

The Line is inactive and has been for many, many years. There will be no diversion of rail traffic to motor carriage, and, by extension, no traffic diversions that would exceed the thresholds stated above.

(5) **AIR**

- (i) If the proposed action will result in either:
 - (A) An increase in rail traffic of at least 100 percent (measured in gross ton miles annually) or an increase of at least eight trains a day on any segment of rail line affected by the proposal, or
 - (B) An increase in rail yard activity of at least 100 percent (measured by carload activity), or
 - (C) An average increase in truck traffic of more than 10 percent of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day on any affected road segment, quantify the anticipated effect on air emissions. For a proposal under 49 U.S.C. 10901 (or 10505) to construct a new line or reinstitute service over a previously abandoned line, only the eight train a day provision in subsection (5)(i)(A) will apply.

The above thresholds will not be exceeded.

- (ii) If the proposed action affects a class I or nonattainment area under the Clean Air Act, and will result in either:
 - (A) An increase in rail traffic of at least 50 percent (measured in gross ton miles annually) or an increase of at least three trains a day on any segment of rail line,
 - (B) An increase in rail yard activity of at least 20 percent (measured by carload activity), or
 - (C) An average increase in truck traffic of more than 10 percent of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day on a given road segment, then state whether any expected increased emissions are within the parameters established by the State Implementation Plan. However, for a rail construction under 49 U.S.C. 10901 (or 49 U.S.C. 10505), or a case involving the reinstitution of service over a previously

abandoned line, only the three train a day threshold in this item shall apply.

Based upon 40 CFR 81.325 (2006), KCSR believes that East Feliciana Parish is <u>not</u> a non-attainment area and that the above-stated thresholds are therefore inapplicable. Nevertheless, the above thresholds will not be exceeded.

(iii) If transportation of ozone depleting materials (such as nitrogen oxide and freon) is contemplated, identify: the materials and quantity; the frequency of service; safety practices (including any speed restrictions); the applicant's safety record (to the extent available) on derailments, accidents and spills; contingency plans to deal with accidental spills; and the likelihood of an accidental release of ozone depleting materials in the event of a collision or derailment.

Not applicable.

(6) NOISE

If any of the thresholds identified in item (5)(i) of this section are surpassed, state whether the proposed action will cause:

- (i) An incremental increase in noise levels of three decibels Ldn or more; or
- (ii) An increase to a noise level of 65 decibels Ldn or greater. If so, identify sensitive receptors (e.g., schools, libraries, hospitals, residences, retirement communities, and nursing homes) in the project area, and quantify the noise increase for these receptors if the thresholds are surpassed.

None of the thresholds of item (5)(i) of this section will be exceeded.

(7) <u>SAFETY</u>

(i) Describe any effects of the proposed action on public health and safety (including vehicle delay time at railroad grade crossings).

The proposed abandonment of a long out-of-service track should have no material impact on public health and safety.

(ii) If hazardous materials are expected to be transported, identify: the materials and quantity; the frequency of service; whether chemicals are being transported that, if mixed, could react to form more hazardous compounds; safety practices (including any speed restrictions); the applicant's safety record (to the extent available) on derailments, accidents and hazardous spills; the contingency plans to deal with accidental spills; and the likelihood of an accidental release of hazardous materials.

No hazardous materials are expected to be transported, and, indeed, no traffic of any kind has moved over the Line in decades.

(iii) If there are any known hazardous waste sites or sites where there have been known hazardous materials spills on the right-of-way, identify the location of those sites and the types of hazardous materials involved.

KCSR is not aware of any hazardous waste sites or sites on the Line where there have been hazardous material spills.

(8) <u>BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES</u>

(i) Based on consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, state whether the proposed action is likely to adversely affect endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat, and if so, describe the effects.

The land through which the Line passes is used for a variety of purposes, including, at different points, forested/open land, residential, agricultural, and industrial. In light of these land uses, KCSR does not believe the proposed abandonment will have an adverse impact on endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat. In connection with this matter, KCSR has contacted the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service by letter dated February 18, 2010, seeking further information on whether the proposed abandonment would adversely affect endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat. A copy of this report was attached to the letter. See Exhibit 2.

(ii) State whether wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks or forests will be affected, and describe any effects.

Following investigation, KCSR is not aware of any wildlife sanctuary or refuge, or any National or State park or forest adjacent to the Line. KCSR has notified the National Park Service of the proposed abandonment by letter dated February 18, 2010, and requested assistance in identifying any potential effects on wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, or National or state parks or forests. A copy of this report was attached to the letter. See Exhibit 2.

(9) WATER

(i) Based on consultation with State water quality officials, state whether the proposed action is consistent with applicable Federal, State or local water quality standards. Describe any inconsistencies.

KCSR is confident that the proposed abandonment will be consistent with applicable water quality standards. The Line does not appear to cross any streams, rivers, or other bodies of water. KCSR has contacted the Louisiana

Department of Natural Resources, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency by letters dated February 18, 2010. A copy of this report was attached to the letter. See Exhibit 2.

(ii) Based on consultation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, state whether permits under section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) are required for the proposed action and whether any designated wetlands or 100-year flood plains will be affected. Describe the effects.

KCSR believes that no permits under section 404 of the Clean Water Act will be required because no salvage activities are anticipated to occur in or adjacent to any waterways. In addition, KCSR believes that no 100-year flood plains will be adversely impacted by the proposed abandonment. In connection with this issue, KCSR contacted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Northeast District by letter dated February 18, 2010. A copy of this report was attached to the letter. See Exhibit 2.

(iii) State whether permits under section 402 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) are required for the proposed action. (Applicants should contact the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the state environmental protection or equivalent agency if they are unsure whether such permits are required.)

Upon receiving abandonment authority, removal of track material (if any) will be accomplished by use of the right-of-way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. KCSR does not intend to perform any activities that would cause sedimentation or erosion of the soil, and does not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in removal of track material. In fact, as stated above, KCSR does not believe that it will engage in any track salvage activity, because much of the track along the Line has been removed or has deteriorated to the point that it would not be practicable to attempt to remove it from the ground. No debris will be discarded along the right-of-way or placed or left in streams or wetlands or along the banks of such waterways. Any track removal efforts along the right-of-way will be subject to appropriate measures to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other pollutant materials. Accordingly, KCSR does not believe that a permit under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act will be required.

By letters dated February 18, 2010, KCSR has contacted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality concerning this matter and has requested assistance in identifying any potential impacts on applicable water quality standards and determining whether the proposed abandonment is consistent with applicable Federal, State, or local water quality standards. A copy of this report was attached to the letter. See Exhibit 2.

(10) PROPOSED MITIGATION

Describe any actions that are proposed to mitigate adverse environmental impacts, indicating why the proposed mitigation is appropriate.

There will be no adverse environmental impacts in the project area as a result of this abandonment; therefore, mitigating action will not be necessary.

(11) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR RAIL CONSTRUCTIONS

Not applicable.

HISTORIC REPORT

49 CFR §1105.8(d):

(1) A U.S.G.S. topographic map (or an alternate map drawn to scale and sufficiently detailed to show buildings and other structures in the vicinity of the proposed action) showing the location of the proposed action, and the locations and approximate dimensions of railroad structures that are 50 years old or older and are part of the proposed action;

A map generally depicting the location and scope of the Line are attached hereto as Exhibit 1. A U.S.G.S. topographic map is attached as Exhibit 3. These maps are being supplied to the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism – Division of Historic Preservation by way of service of a complete copy of this report. Based upon an examination of the records available to it, KCSR is not aware of any structures on the Line (such as bridges, culverts, stations, etc.) that are 50 years old or older.

(2) A written description of the right-of-way (including approximate widths, to the extent known), and the topography and urban and/or rural characteristics of the surrounding area;

The involved right-of-way ranges in width from approximately 50 to approximately 100 feet (see KCSR map attached hereto as part of Exhibit 1), and extends from milepost D-202.70 to milepost D-204.33 in East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. The Line runs adjacent to lands of varying uses, ranging from forested open land to industrial (tank farms). At various points, KCSR understands that the land has been zoned as residential, agricultural, and industrial. The topography is generally flat, with some rolling hills.

(3) Good quality photographs (actual photographic prints, not photocopies) of railroad structures on the property that are 50 years old or older and of the immediately surrounding area;

As indicated above, KCSR believes that there are no such structures located along this Line.

(4) The date(s) of construction of the structure(s), and the date(s) and extent of any major alterations, to the extent such information is known;

Not applicable.

(5) A brief narrative history of carrier operations in the area, and an explanation of what, if any, changes are contemplated as a result of the proposed action;

KCSR is not certain at what time the Line was constructed or by whom, but KCSR understands that, in 1968, Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Company ("L&A") entered into an agreement to acquire the property from South Shore Railway Company, an intrastate rail operator. (Records indicate that the deed governing conveyance of the subject Line was note recorded until January of 1970.) L&A subsequently was merged into KCSR in 1992. As is reflected throughout this consolidated report, KCSR has not operated over the subject Line for decades, and, indeed, some track connecting to the Line has also been out of service for many years. As a consequence, KCSR does not anticipate any material changes in transportation as a result of the proposed action. The abandonment will, however, facilitate the acquisition of land by CPC in order to expand a tank farm operation immediately adjacent to a portion of the Line. (This tank farm is readily apparent from the topographic map attached hereto.)

(6) A brief summary of documents in the carrier's possession, such as engineering drawings, that might be useful in documenting a structure that is found to be historic;

As stated above, KCSR does not believe that there are any structures along the Line that are 50 years old or older, and that, for this reason, it is highly unlikely that the Line would have any characteristics whatsoever that would warrant further historical analysis. Nevertheless, KCSR has attached as part of Exhibit 1 (maps) a map that may be of use for any such evaluation of the historical resources along the Line.

(7) An opinion (based on readily available information in the railroad's possession) as to whether the site and/or structures meet the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (36 CFR 60.4), and whether there is a likelihood of archeological resources or any other previously unknown historic properties in the project area, and the basis for these opinions (including any consultations with the State Historic Preservation Office, local historical societies or universities);

As indicated above, KCSR's records and other readily-available information indicate that there are no structures on the Line that are 50 years old or older, and, for this reason, there are no structures that would meet the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. KCSR is also unaware of any archeological resources or any other previously unknown historic properties on the Line's right-of-way.

(8) A description (based on readily available information in the railroad's possession) of any known prior subsurface ground disturbance or fill, environmental conditions (naturally occurring or manmade) that might affect the archeological recovery of resources (such as swampy conditions or the presence of toxic wastes), and the surrounding terrain.

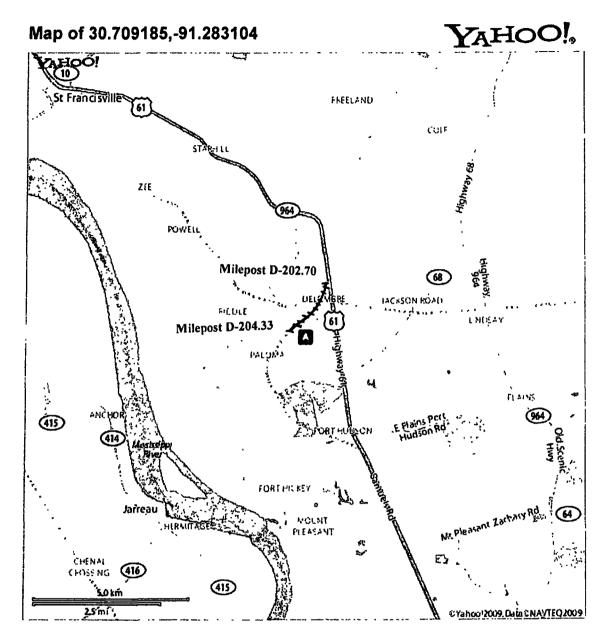
Various track work and/or construction occurred over the many years that the track was in operation. Such work may have disturbed the potential for recovery of archeological resources.

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EXHIBIT 1 – LOCATION MAP



When using any driving directions or map, it's a good idea to do a reality check and make sure the road still exists, watch out for construction, and follow all traffic safety precautions. This is only to be used as an aid in planning

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EXHIBIT 2 – CONSULTATION LETTERS

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February 18, 2010

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RE: The Kansas City Southern Railway Company - Abandonment Exemption - Line in East Feliciana Parish, LA, STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 22X)

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RE: The Kansas City Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption –

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Dear Mayor Reason:

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Mr. Louis Kent, President Police Jury President P.O. Box 427 Clinton LA 70722

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Secretary Harold Leggett, PHD Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality P.O. Box 4301 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4301

RE: The Kansas City Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – Line in East Feliciana Parish, LA, STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 22X)

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John Blevins, Director Enforcement Division Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 (NM, TX, OK, AR, LA) 1445 Ross Avenue, Mail Code: 6E Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202

RE: The Kansas City Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – Line in East Feliciana Parish, LA, STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No.

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EXHIBIT 3 – U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

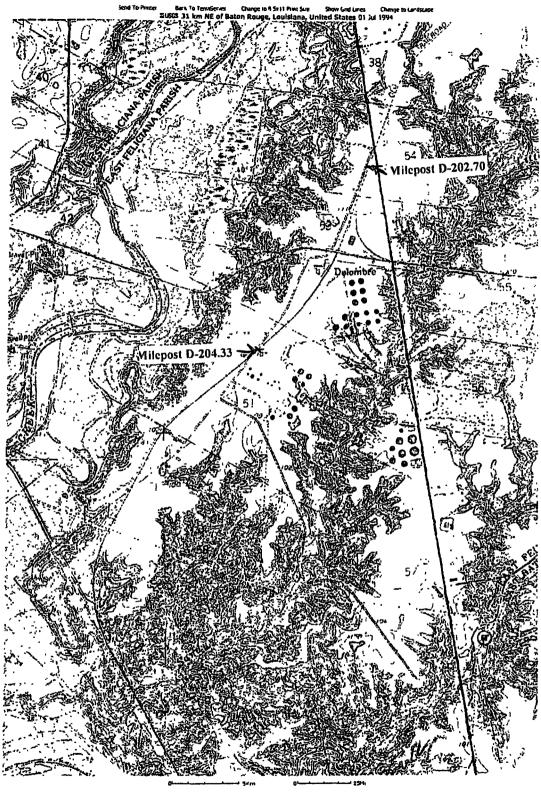


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